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Applicants respectfully request a telephonic interview to discuss the current application. Claims 1-33 are pending in the application. Proposed amendments to claims 1, 5, 7, 13, 16, 19, 24, and 30 have been set forth above.

The Examiner rejected claims 1-3, 5-8, 10, 12-14, 16-17, 19-20, 22-25, 27, 29-31 and 33 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as being anticipated by Strasser et al (U.S. 2003/0185238). Applicants would like to discuss the proposed amendments to claim 1 and the reference cited against claim 1.

Claim 1 as amended will set forth:

time-stamping *only a lead packet* in each of a plurality of chunks, each of the plurality of chunks comprising the lead packet and a plurality of packets;
(Claim 1 as amended; emphasis added)

In contrast, Strasser fails to disclose at least the above limitation. According to Strasser, every transport packet related to SPTS is provided a separate timestamp (Strasser, paragraph [0022]). Timestamps are generated for individual transport packets related to a single program (Strasser, paragraph [0023]). Unlike Strasser, the current invention as claimed time-stamps *only a lead packet* in each chunk. Therefore, Strasser fails to anticipate claim 1 as amended for at least this reason. Withdrawal of the rejection is respectfully requested.

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Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request the Examiner to contact the undersigned to schedule a telephonic interview prior to the due date of a response to the Office Action (7/26/2007).

If there are any additional charges, please charge Deposit Account No. 02-2666 for any fee deficiency that may be due.

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